

## Worried about your pets and COVID-19?

Pets are part of the family – it's natural to be worried about their health and safety during an outbreak. Here's what we know so far about pets and coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19):

- There have not been reports of pets or other animals becoming sick with COVID-19 in the United States.
- There is no evidence that pets can spread COVID-19 to people or other animals or that they might be a source of infection with this new coronavirus in the United States.
- Because all animals can carry germs that can make people sick, it's
  always a good idea to practice <u>healthy habits</u> around pets and other
  animals.
- Wash your hands after handling animals, their food, waste, or supplies.
- Practice good pet hygiene and clean up after pets properly.
- Take pets to the veterinarian regularly and talk to your veterinarian if you have questions about your pet's health.



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## Remember to include pets in preparedness plans

If you're preparing your family, remember to include your furry, feathered, and scaly family members too. Get 2-weeks' worth of supplies for your pets, such as:

- Pet food
- Medications
- Litter



See what to include in a pet preparedness kit

Healthy Pets, Healthy People is CDC's one-stop-shop for information on staying healthy around pets and other animals. Visit the <u>website</u> or follow <u>@CDC\_NCEZID</u> for more updates.



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